



APRIL IS TSUNAMI AWARENESS MONTH IN HAWAI'I

2010 Tsunami Education Activities and Events

Do you know the natural warning signs for a Tsunami? Do you know what to do if a tsunami warning is issued? Does your family have an emergency plan? Tsunami preparedness information will be made available at the following events:

O'ahu

March 22

Tsunami Awareness Month Kick-off Event

9am – 10:30am, Ka Waihona o ka Na'auao Public Charter School, 89-195 Farrington Hwy, Nanakuli
Lt. Gov. Duke Aiona will present a proclamation announcing Tsunami Awareness Month in Hawaii, followed by a tsunami awareness and safety presentation to students, teachers, and parents. Afterwards, experts will meet with the safety committee to advise on school evacuation plan.

March 24

Statewide Tsunami Communications Test

7am – 12pm
Atlantic, Gulf, West Coast states, and Pacific Island nations will test their tsunami communication systems. (No public involvement)

April 7

Bytemarks Café: Tsunami Awareness Month Announcement

5pm, Hawai'i Public Radio, KHPR 88.1 FM
PTWC Geophysicist Brian Shiro will discuss Tsunami Awareness Month during the news segment of Bytemarks Café. Listen here:
http://www.hawaiipublicradio.org/audio/BMC_040710.mp3

April 10

3rd Annual Earth Day: Mauka to Makai

9am – 2pm, Waikiki Aquarium, 2777 Kalakaua Ave, Honolulu
The event will showcase the efforts of more than 20 city, state and federal agencies to preserve and protect Hawaii's environment. NOAA and Civil Defense partners will sponsor displays, keiki activities, and provide tsunami preparedness materials. Free admission. Info: 808-923-9741.

May 4

Hawaii Public Radio News: Tsunami Buoys and Forecasting

7:30am and 4:30pm, Hawai'i Public Radio, KHPR 88.1 FM
PTWC Assistant Director Stuart Weinstein will discuss tsunami detection buoys and how their data is used in tsunami forecasts. Listen here:
http://www.hawaiipublicradio.org/markus/dart_4.mp3

May 18

Science Café: Tsunami Warning Discussion

7pm, P F Chang's Restaurant, 1288 Ala Moana Blvd, Honolulu
PTWC Geophysicist Gerard Fryer will discuss the 2010 Chile tsunami event in a talk titled "Tsunami Warning: Successes, Concerns, and Lessons from the Chile Tsunami of 27 February." Sponsored by the Hawai'i Academy of Science.
Free admission. Info: <http://www.hawaii.edu/acadsci/ScienceCafeFuture.html>

July 26

Tsunami Spherecast

10am, Bishop Museum Planetarium, 1525 Bernice St, Honolulu
Lectures focusing on the recent Chile tsunami will be dramatically illustrated by images projected on Science on a Sphere, a 6-ft. fiberglass globe suspended from the ceiling. New Spherecast technology will link to all participating networked spheres nationwide, allowing for audiences in multiple locations to visualize animations of the planet together virtually. Speakers: PTWC Geophysicist Gerard Fryer, Bishop Museum's Leon Geschwind, and NOAA Pacific Services Center's Matt McBride. Info: 808-848-4165.

Hawai'i

April 10

Pacific Tsunami Museum Open House

9am – 4pm, Pacific Tsunami Museum, 130 Kamehameha Ave, Hilo
Free admission. Info: 808-935-0926.

April 17

Tsunami Teacher Training Workshop

9am – 12pm, University of Hawai'i at Hilo, 200 West Kawili St, UCB Rm 100
The UH-Hilo Center for the Study of Active Volcanoes will sponsor a tsunami seminar as part of its Teacher Training Workshop series. PTWC Geophysicist Gerard Fryer, Professor Walter Dudley of UH-Hilo, and Quince Mento of Hawai'i County Civil Defense will speak about the science, impacts, and mitigation of tsunamis. Free admission. Info: 808-974-7631.
<http://www.uhh.hawaii.edu/~csav/napuacs/2010Seminars.php>

April 23

22nd Annual Hawai'i Community College Earth Day Fair

University of Hawai'i at Hilo, 200 West Kawili St, Hilo
NOAA and Civil Defense partners will sponsor keiki activities and provide tsunami preparedness information. Info: 808-974-7537.

May 22

Remembering Waiakea Town

5pm – 10pm, Afook-Chinen Civic Auditorium, 799 Piilani St, Hilo
A program and dinner are being planned by a group of Waiakea Kai School graduates. Info: 808-935-0926.

May 23

8th Annual Tsunami Story Festival: Unstoppable! The Spirit of Hilo

6pm, Sangha Hall, 398 Kilauea Ave, Hilo
In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the May 22, 1960 tsunami, dinner and program will recognize family-owned businesses that have survived two tsunamis and a war and are still thriving today. Reservations and Info: 808-935-0926.

May 25

After Dark in the Park: Hawai'i Island as a Source of Tsunamis

7pm, Kilauea Visitor Center Auditorium, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park
PTWC Geophysicist Gerard Fryer will speak about the threat of tsunamis generated locally in Hawai'i. Event co-sponsored by the Hawai'i Natural History Association and Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park. Free admission. Info: 808-985-6014.

Maui

March 22

Announcement of Maui Tsunami Inundation Mapping Project

9am – 10am, Maui County Council, 200 South High St, Wailuku
U.H. researcher, Dr. Kwok Fai Cheung, along with Hawaii State Civil Defense will give a presentation on plans to update tsunami inundation zone maps.

Moloka'i

April 17

Moloka'i Earth Day Celebration

5pm – 9pm, Mitchell Pauole Community Center, 90 Ainoa St, Kaunakakai
NOAA and Civil Defense partners will sponsor keiki activities and provide tsunami preparedness information. Info: 808-553-5236.

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